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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF THE :
SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF :
THE LICENSE OF :
: Administrative Action
: KEVIN WARD, D.D.S. :
: :
TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY :
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :
: Consent Order of
: Temporary Suspension
: Of Clinical Practice

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This matter was opened to the State Board of Dentistry upon receipt of the Attorney General's application on April 5, 2000 for an Order to Show Cause and for Preliminary Temporary Limitation of License which sought immediate imposition of temporary limitations on respondent's license and a hearing within seven days on the Attorney General's application for a Temporary Suspension of respondent's license. A Verified Complaint was simultaneously filed. Respondent submitted a general letter of denial of the allegations and the matter was heard by the Board on an emergent basis at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 5, 2000. Subsequent to oral argument, the Board issued its decision on the record and the Board President executed the Order to Show Cause

which set this matter down for hearing before the Board on April 10, 2000 and further ordered that respondent be suspended from the clinical practice of dentistry pending the outcome of the temporary suspension hearing.

The Complaint in this matter alleges inter alia that Respondent's continued practice of dentistry constitutes a clear and imminent danger to the public and thus warrants temporary suspension of Respondent's license pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22. Respondent has not yet filed a formal Answer but has generally denied all charges.

The Board having determined that the within disposition is adequately protective of the public health safety and welfare,

IT IS ON THIS TENTH DAY OF APRIL, 2000

ORDERED:

1. The license issued to respondent, Kevin Ward, D.D.S., to practice dentistry in the State of New Jersey is hereby temporarily limited to suspend and prohibit the practice of clinical dentistry pending final resolution by the Board of Dentistry of the charges in the Verified Complaint.

2. Pursuant to the foregoing temporary suspension of clinical practice, Respondent shall only be permitted to participate in the administration of his dental practice in Union City, New Jersey, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on weekdays and at any time when the office is closed. His administrative activities shall be confined to the management office located on the second floor.

This is agreed to with the express proviso that Respondent must refrain from all patient contact during the course of performing his administrative duties and at all other times.

3. Respondent hereby agrees that the temporary suspension of clinical practice set forth herein shall apply to his practice of dentistry in all jurisdictions.

4. Respondent hereby agrees that he shall refrain from exercising his privileges to prescribe either Prescription Legend Drugs or Controlled Dangerous Substances in all jurisdictions.

5. Respondent hereby consents to the entry of an Order of total temporary cessation of professional activities (which would not permit any administrative activities), upon twenty-four (24) hours notice, upon the Board's receipt of any information which the Board, in its sole discretion, deems reliable demonstrating that respondent has engaged in clinical practice or has had clinical contact with patients. Respondent shall have the right to apply before the Board for removal of this total suspension on two (2) days notice but in such event shall be limited to a showing that the clinical practice didn't occur, that patient contact didn't occur, or that other information the Board relied upon was false. In the event that the Board is satisfied that said violation occurred, respondent's license shall remain totally temporarily suspended pending final outcome of this matter.

6. Respondent shall file an Answer to the charges no later than April 19, 2000.

7. Respondent expressly reserves the right to seek the Board's transmission of this matter to the Office of Administrative Law priority scheduling pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:1-9.3.

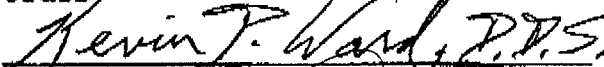
8. This entire Consent Order is subject to modification within the discretion of the Board upon application of either party.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

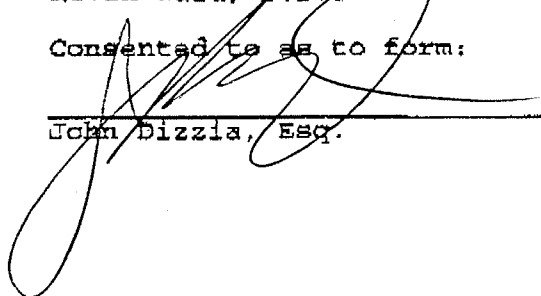
By: 

Henry Finger, D.D.S.
President

I have read and understood the within Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.


Kevin Ward, D.D.S.

Consented to as to form:


John Dizzia, Esq.